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TAGS: PFOR, ASEAN

SUBJ: US/ASEAN ECONOMIC CONSULTATIONS

REF: A. STATE 161; B. MANILA 1702; C. MANILA 1822,

D. STATE 31347; E. MANILA 2187

1. MRS. MANALO CALLED IN EC/COM CONSELOR FEBRUARY 22  
TO DISCUSS U.S. TALKING PAPER (REFS A, B, AND C) AND OBTAIN  
OUR CLARIFICATION AND AMPLIFICATION OF SEVERAL ELEMENTS  
THEREOF. THIS, SHE SAID, WAS BY WAY OF HER PREPARATION FOR  
FEBRUARY 24 MEETING IN MANILA OF ASEAN FOREIGN MINISTERS,  
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AT WHICH SHE EXPECTED DISCUSSION OF U.S. TALKING PAPER  
WITH OBJECT OF FORMULATING "DRAFT PROVISIONAL AGENDA"  
FOR EVENTUAL US/ASEAN CONSULTATIONS.

2. MRS. MANALO SAID ASEAN PROBABLY WOULD BE INTERESTED  
IN DISCUSSING "TECHNICAL/ECONOMIC COOPERATION" WITH THE  
U.S., MUCH AS ASEAN HAD RECENTLY DONE WITH CANADA, AND ALSO

GSP, TRADE AND U.S. ATTITUDES TOWARDS SPECIAL TRADE RELATIONSHIPS (TRADE PREFERENCES) WHICH MIGHT BE ESTABLISHED WITHIN ASEAN. SHE WAS NOT SURE HOW THE SUBJECT OF INVESTMENT COULD BE APPROACHED IN US/ASEAN TALKS, AS SITUATION WAS DIFFERENT IN EACH ASEAN COUNTRY. SHE SAID ALSO THAT ASEAN COUNTRIES WOULD NOT WISH TO CONFINE DISCUSSIONS WITH U.S. TO TRADE AND INVESTMENT, BUT RATHER WOULD LIKE TO INTRODUCE SUBJECTS OF TECHNICAL OR ECONOMIC COOPERATION AS A RUBRIC FOR POSSIBLE U.S. ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE.

3. FINALLY AND AS A MEANS OF MOVING AHEAD WITH US/ASEAN CONSULTATIONS, SHE INQUIRED ABOUT POSSIBILITY OF DIPLOMATIC NOTE FROM THE U.S. SUGGESTING SUCH CONSULTATIONS. WE SAID THIS WAS IN FACT POSSIBLE, AND UNDERTOOK TO DELIVER NOTE (REFS C.D. AND E) THE FOLLOWING DAY, I.E. FEBRUARY23, WHICH WE HAVE NOW DONE.  
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